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Applicants: T.L. Ritzdorf et al. Attorney Docket No.: SEMT118781  
Application No.: 10/088,975 Art Unit: 1742 / Confirmation No.: 6706  
Filed: August 13, 2002 Examiner: W.T. Leader  
Title: PATTERN DEPENDENT SURFACE PROFILE EVOLUTION OF  
ELECTROCHEMICALLY DEPOSITED MATERIAL

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 /  
PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

September 29, 2006

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application, in which prosecution is closed.

- X 1. A submission as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is submitted as follows:
- X a. Please consider the Amendment/Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on July 13, 2006.
- X 2. Applicants respectfully request that the shortened statutory period for response to the final Office Action, dated May 18, 2006, set to expire on August 18, 2006, be extended by 2 months, to expire on October 18, 2006. The enclosed check includes the 2-month extension fee of \$450.00.
- X 3. The filing fee for the present request for continued examination is calculated below. No claims in excess of the number previously submitted are being added.

COMPUTATION OF FEE

	Number Filed After Any Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For		Present Extra		Rate		Additional Fee
Basic RCE Filing Fee	-	=		x		=	790		
Total Claims	32	-	33	=	0	x	50	=	0
Independent Claims	5	-	5	=	0	x	200	=	0
Extension of Time						+	450		450
TOTAL									\$1240

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- X 4. Check No. 172473 in the amount of \$1240.00, as computed above, is enclosed in payment of the required fees for filing the present request for continued examination.
- X 5. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this request is enclosed.

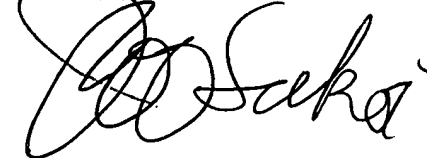
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